

A bill to suspend all laws for the collection of debts was read 2nd time and passed to 3rd reading. Rule suspended, read 3rd time and passed.

A bill to raise 2,000,000 dollars by sale of cotton bonds was read 3rd time and passed.

A bill to authorize the sale of percussion caps was read 2nd time and ordered to be engrossed. Rule suspended, read 3rd time and referred to a Select Committee consisting of Messrs. Montague, Lea, and Throckmorton.

A joint resolution in relation to increase of pay of soldiers. Read 2nd time and passed to 3rd reading. Rule suspended, read 3rd time and passed.

The Senate then adjourned until 9 o'clock A.M. tomorrow.

Senate Chamber, Saturday, November 28, 1863
9 o'clock A.M.

Senate met, prayer by the Chaplain, roll called, quorum present. The journal of yesterday was read and adopted.

A bill providing for the support of families of Texan soldiers, and a bill to provide for the manufacture of iron by the Military Board were reported correctly engrossed.

Mr. Montague, chairman of Select Committee, reported a substitute for a bill to authorize the sale of percussion caps.

Mr. Moore of Davis introduced a joint resolution requesting the Commanding General to detail men for the Texas iron works. Read 1st and 2nd times and referred to Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Dickson introduced a bill to authorize the Governor to employ a suitable person to take charge of the libraries and other property belonging to the Capitol. Read 1st and 2nd times and referred to Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. Montague introduced a joint resolution concerning the manufacture of slate. Read 1st and 2nd times and referred to Committee on State Affairs.

The Committee on State Affairs reported a substitute for a bill to provide for the manufacture of spinning jennies; a substitute for a joint resolution for the relief of Short, Briscoe and Company; and recommended the passage of the bill to define the boundaries of the McNair and

McLain league of band; also reported adversely to the memorial of James Browne.

A bill to amend the 1st section of an act concerning wills. Read 2nd time, a substitute adopted, and ordered to be engrossed. Rule suspended, read 3rd time and passed.

A bill for the relief of Carey Watson was read 2nd time. Rule suspended, read 3rd time and passed.

A bill to relieve Carro M. Quarles of the disability of minority was read 2nd time and passed to 3rd reading. Rule suspended, read 3rd time and passed.

A bill to provide for the manufacturing of spinning jennies was read 2nd time. Rule suspended, read 3rd time and passed.

A bill for the relief of Short, Briscoe and Company was read 2nd time. Rule suspended, read 3rd time and passed.

A bill for the relief of Messrs. Billips and Hassell. Read 2nd time. Rule suspended, read 3rd time and passed.

A bill defining the county line between the counties of Harrison and Marion was read 2nd time. Rule suspended, read 3rd time and passed.

A bill to establish the boundaries of Live Oak and McMullen counties was read 2nd time. Rule suspended, read 3rd time and passed.

A bill for the relief of Peter Norton was read 3rd time and passed.

The resolution to adjourn *sin die* was postponed until Saturday next.

The following bills were announced from the House:

Senate bill to incorporate the Sulphur Fork Iron Company with amendments which were concurred in; and a bill for relief of Robert Price.

House bill to incorporate the East Texas Manufacturing Company Read 1st and 2nd times and referred to Committee on State Affairs.

A bill amendatory of and supplemental to an act to establish a Penal Code being the order the Senate went into Committee of the Whole, Mr. Dickson in the chair. After some time spent therein, the Committee rose, reported progress, and asked leave to sit again at 3 o'clock P.M. next Tuesday, and recommended that 150 copies of the bill be printed. Adopted.

The Senate then adjourned until 9 o'clock A. M. on Monday.

Senate Chamber, Monday, November 30, 1864

Senate met, prayer by the Chaplain, roll called, quorum present. The journal of yesterday was read and adopted.

The Committee on Private Land Claims reported adversely upon the memorial of P. Priestly.

The Finance Committee recommended the passage of a bill making an appropriation for the mileage and per diem pay of the members and the per diem pay of officers of the 10th Legislature.

A bill for relief of H. K. Harrison and a bill to provide for the manufacture of spinning jennies was reported correctly engrossed.

A substitute for a bill granting land to Texan soldiers was reported by the Special Committee.

Mr. Lea introduced a bill to regulate distilleries and to repeal the law authorizing license therefor. Read 1st and 2nd times and referred to Committee on Finance.

Mr. Jowers introduced a bill for the benefit of minor heirs of John D. Long. Read 1st and 2nd times and referred to Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Beasley introduced a bill to legalize the acts of C. C. Galloway, Notary Public of Upshur County. Read 1st and 2nd times and referred to Judiciary Committee.¹⁹

Mr. Ford introduced a bill to provide for the appointment of Superintendent of Public Works and to prescribe his duties. Read 1st and 2nd times and referred to Select Committee of five, consisting of Messrs. Ford, White, Jordan, Throckmorton, and Lea.

A joint resolution on the subject of sequestered property of alien enemies was indefinitely postponed.

A bill for relief of John Murchison was read 3rd time and passed.

¹⁹The report of the Judiciary Committee is not mentioned hereafter, but the undated manuscript with the bill read as follows:

The Judiciary Committee have considered a bill to be entitled an act to legalize the acts of C. C. Galloway, a Notary Public in Upshur County and instruct me to report the same back and recommend that it do not pass.

If the person acting as Notary was in point of fact acting under authority of a Commission duly issued, he was an officer de facto and so far as the public are concerned his official acts could not be collaterally called in question.

Jno. T. Harcourt Chairman